

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SULLIVAN,
ILLINOIS, MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2009 A.D.

1. The City Council of the City of Sullivan, Illinois, met in regular session on Monday, August 24, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ann Short. A roll call was taken, which showed the following members as present:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - present
Commissioner Mike Kirk - present
Commissioner Bill Hagen - present
Commissioner Jeff Lane - present
Mayor Ann Short - present

2. The minutes of the previous meeting held on August 10, 2009 were read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Lane that the foregoing minutes be approved. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

3. The claims were read by Mayor Short. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Hagen that the foregoing claims be approved as read and that City Warrants be drawn in payment of the same. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

4. Commissioner Mossman reported he had the heating and air conditioning system at the City Building examined by a contractor and engineer and found a new furnace and some new ductwork were needed for the system. The cost for the upgrade would be slightly less than \$10,000.00. The Council members were in agreement that this upgrade should be done and asked Commissioner Mossman to proceed with the project.

5. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Mossman to authorize Mayor Short to sign the Dark Fiber Lease agreement with Moultrie County. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

6. Commissioner Kirk reported another demolition permit had been applied for in the past week and progress is being made on several of the previous permits.

Commissioner Kirk stated the light fixtures for the beautification grant are at the light plant. The ballast in the fixtures has not been approved by IDOT at this time. Kirk also stated there was a problem with the installation of some pedestals because no IDOT permits had been obtained.

Commissioner Kirk informed the Council that IMEA had partnered with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to sponsor an Energy Efficiency & Conservation Program. Approximately \$15,600.00 has been set aside for our community. Commissioner Kirk suggested checking into the possibility of using these funds for the upgrade of the HVAC system at the City building.

Commissioner Kirk reported he had recently met with Dennis Ozier from Habitat for Humanity to discuss some of the requirements that need to be met with their building projects.

7. Commissioner Hagen reported he had also met with Mr. Ozier with Habitat for Humanity.

Commissioner Hagen requested the City Clerk open the bids for the Sewer Crossing in Greenhill Cemetery. Two bids were on the table:

Universal Mechanical \$ 276,250.00
Hammond IL

Yoder Farm Drainage \$ 143,300.00
Sullivan IL

Action was tabled until the next Council meeting so that Commissioner Hagen can review the bids.

8. Commissioner Lane reported his department has begun work on the Jibby parking lot project.

Commissioner Lane stated he had also talked to Dennis Ozier from Habitat for Humanity concerning the requirements for the streets and drainage.

Commissioner Lane reported the street sweeper had been run around the square, however, the next day more refuse was found on the streets.

Mayor Short informed the Council she had received the request to increase the contract amount of Chastain & Associates for the Rte. 32 Sewer improvement project. Action taken at the August 10, 2009 Council meeting authorized the Mayor to sign the request.

9. Mayor Short presented a picture of the Sullivan Police Department squad car that recently won an award in the Law & Order magazine. Chief John Love stated he was especially proud of the fact that the work was done by City employees.

10. Doug Schneider, Central Illinois Mountain Bike Association (CIMBA), requested the City make a donation of \$300.00 to cover the insurance costs for a mountain bike race to be held at Camp Camfield on September 20, 2009. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Mossman to approve the donation request. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman
Commissioner Mike Kirk

- yea
- yea

Commissioner Bill Hagen
Commissioner Jeff Lane
Mayor Ann Short

- yea
- yea
- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

11. Police Chief John Love reported on court rulings on a couple of properties that he is attempting to get cleaned up. Chief Love also stated he is going to be talking to owners of establishments around the Square to remind them of the Ordinance regarding carrying containers out of the establishments.

Stepheny McMahan stated reminders about the garbage dumping and the no skateboarding issues will be addressed in the Chamber newsletter.

12. Mayor Short reported the information the Council needs to take action on a TIF agreement with Habitat for Humanity has not been received at this time.

13. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Hagen to approve a one time payment of \$40,000.00 to assist the County with the installation of a new heating system for the Moultrie County Courthouse. Jacobs & Associates will be contacted to draw the necessary intergovernmental agreement papers. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman
Commissioner Mike Kirk
Commissioner Bill Hagen
Commissioner Jeff Lane
Mayor Ann Short

- yea
- yea
- yea
- abstain
- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

14. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Kirk to accept the ARC rate of 18.11% for the IMRF contribution rate for 2010. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman
Commissioner Mike Kirk
Commissioner Bill Hagen
Commissioner Jeff Lane
Mayor Ann Short

- yea
- yea
- yea
- yea
- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

15. Mayor Short reported the City of Decatur had contacted the City asking the Council to voice their support for a proposed rail service out of Decatur. The Council agreed to decline the request.

16. Mayor Short reported she had been contacted by Mr. Harry Woolen from the VFW asking the City to waive utility installation charges at their new building on So. Rte. 32. At this time there are no plans to demolish the old building. The Council agreed not to waive the tapping or installation fees. Commissioner Kirk stated there might be a fee by IDOT for boring under the highway.

17. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Lane to waive the fees and approve a raffle license request by Christopher Guymon Benefit. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman
Commissioner Mike Kirk
Commissioner Bill Hagen
Commissioner Jeff Lane
Mayor Ann Short

- yea
- yea
- yea
- yea
- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

18. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Lane to waive the fees and approve a raffle license request by Mid Illinois Senior Services. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

19. Mayor Short stated the Council members have been invited to a Groundbreaking ceremony for the new Lake Shelbyville Administration office/visitor Center Complex to be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2009.

Mayor Short stated she had been contacted by the Department of the Army extending an invitation to participate in the Welcome Home Ceremony to be held in September at the Sullivan High School.

Mayor Short reported each of the Commissioners should have received their budget figures for the first quarter of the fiscal year.

20. Stepheny McMahon, SCED, reported there are twenty (20) façade projects in progress.

The Arts Council and Little Theatre are working on an art consignment shop named Second Act. The shop will be in the old Shasteen garage building.

Plans are in progress for the Chili cook-off and Octoberfest which is Saturday, October 17th.

21. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Hagen to adjourn to executive session at 7:44 p.m. for discussion on personnel matters (5 ILCS 120/2c(1) and contract negotiations (5 ILCS 120/2c(5)). The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

22. Mayor Short reconvened the Council meeting at 8:24 p.m. on August 24, 2009.

23. A motion was made by Commissioner Hagen and seconded by Commissioner Mossman that the minutes of the meeting be engrossed by the Clerk. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman - yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk - yea
Commissioner Bill Hagen - yea
Commissioner Jeff Lane - yea
Mayor Ann Short - yea

and the motion was declared carried.

24. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Lane that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was reduced to writing and read to the Council. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman
Commissioner Mike Kirk
Commissioner Bill Hagen
Commissioner Jeff Lane
Mayor Ann Short

- yea
- yea
- yea
- yea
- yea

and the motion was declared carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p. m..

Attest J. Sue Bidia
City Clerk

Ann Short
Mayor Ann Short